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Practice Areas
Wealth Transfer

Hannah Shakin advises individuals and families on all aspects of estate planning, trust administration, and probate proceedings.

Hannah is certified by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization as a Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust, and Probate Law. Her practice is concentrated on the creation and development of highly tailored and comprehensive estate plans, with an emphasis on addressing each client's individual needs and concerns. This can include revocable and irrevocable trusts, wills, and powers of attorney, with a focus on minimizing estate, property, and income tax exposure. Hannah's clients appreciate her explanations and with her guidance are able to resolve challenging planning issues.

Professional & Community Service

- Sacramento Estate Planning Council, Board Member: Programs Committee
- Jewish Community Foundation of the West, Board Member: Scholarships and Grants Committee, 2024-present
- Kasner Estate Planning Symposium Planning Committee, 2013-2024
- Active 20-30 Club of Greater Sacramento #1032, 2016-2024
- Sacramento County Bar Association, Probate and Estate Planning Section, 2015-present
- California Lawyers Association, 2014-present

Education

- J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law, 2014
- B.A., Spanish and Psychology, University of Colorado at Boulder, 2009

Honors & Rankings

- Certified Legal Specialist, Estate Planning, Trust & Probate Law
- *Super Lawyers*, Northern California Rising Star, Estate & Probate, 2019-2025
- *SacTown Magazine* (formerly *Sacramento Magazine*), Top Lawyer, Estate Planning & Probate, 2019-2024
- Best Lawyers in America®, Northern California, 2020-present
- *Sacramento Business Journal*, Best of the Bar, 2018
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award for Federal Income Tax
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award for Community Property
- Tax and Estate Planning Society- Santa Clara University School of Law, President, 2013-2014
- Jewish Law Student Association- Santa Clara University School of Law, President, 2012-2013

Speaking Engagements / Events

- *Estate Planning & Real Estate Crossover Issues*, Sacramento Association of Realtors, April 12, 2022
- *Securing Your Future Through Estate Planning*, Johnson & Bauer Real Estate Group, September 9, 2021
- *Estate Planning 101*, July 14, 2021

Blogs

- *Becoming a Certified Specialist in Estate Planning, Trust & Probate Law: What the Process Involves and Why It Matters*, September 24, 2025
- *Print and Sign Your Will - A Lesson from the Anne Heche Estate*, December 6, 2022
- *Who Can Oversee Revocable Charitable Trusts?*, June 20, 2022